

Save the Date & Spread the Word

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Re-Fresher Training

Tuesday, September 27, 2016
4:30-6:00 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room
r.s.v.p. to the office @
922-4827

Background Checks-Annual Renewal

Volunteer Services is required to update all background checks on active volunteers, annually. We will use release forms on file, to complete these checks.

Thank you!

Find us at

Fuse North
NONPROFIT EXPO

Thursday, Oct. 13 | 4-7pm | Hagerty Center

  We are booth #54

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Get Ready for the 2016 State CASA Conference

"One Network: Many Voices"
November 11th and 12th

Radisson Hotel Lansing at the Capitol

Visit: www.michigancasa.org to register

General Orientation 2016

The 2016 General Orientation for new volunteers is scheduled for November 1st and 2nd, 2016. Robert P. Griffin Hall of Justice, lower level, multi-purpose room. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a volunteer for Probate & Family Court, send them our way. For inquiries, please call the office at 231-922-4827.

New Vision Academy 2016, comes to a close!

Thank You to all who made this summer's program
a success!



Thank
You!

September and October Birthdays

Maryann Wichtner
Don Hutchinson
Alexander Moore
Susan Wilgus
Michael Herron
Phil Hamburg
Marilyn Vlach
Karen Mauro-Doren
Peggy Friess
Jeri Cooke
Patti Marar
Jessi Horness
Tori Young

Jim Valko
Margaret Gove
Dolores Rode
Jim Doman
Susan Miner
Sue Soderberg
David Lloyd
Brenda Knaack
Linda Fawcett
Thad Shumway
Robin Komrska
Lisa Hoffman
Jen Carlson
Jim Dawson
Rachel Ottman

happy
birthday

Many thanks to volunteer, **Victor Dinsmoore** for his role in assisting with the Cherry Festival community service work project. Victor monitored and worked along side youth, who were participating in the Cherry Festival parades as part of their community service hours requirement.

Also, many thanks to **Judy Zrimec** for her time and commitment to the role of School Escort for a young man on probation, during the last few weeks of the school year.

Susan Bender, Roy Bernier, Victor Dinsmoore, Nancy Giles, Lori Metcalf, Diane Scrivo and Henry Tenbrink took part in the two-day, Aggression Replacement Training (ART), facilitator sessions.

Volunteers will be meeting for a 2-day planning session, August 30th and 31st to prepare for the first 10-week session of the ART program, set to begin mid-late September.



Learning Partner volunteers are invited to attend our next meeting! **Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 4:00-5:00 p.m.**

We will discuss recent program changes and status of each match. We will also explore the new direction of our Learning Partner Program, and ways Volunteers can be involved.

Letters are going out to schools to explain our program changes. Over the summer, most student/volunteer matches had to end, due to a change in funding rules. Now only currently court-involved families may have an eligible child, and only while under court jurisdiction. Many matches ended, several will continue as TCAPS volunteers, and a few are looking at other options.

We will be restructuring Learning Partners and may include working with older youth, such as middle school and high school students. Come to our September meeting for more information.

Thank you, Rotary Club of Traverse Bay Sunrise!

Volunteers Lori Metcalf, Matt Shumate and others joined in the backpack stuffing fun on Tuesday, August 23rd. More than 15,000 backpacks stuffed with school supplies have been donated to students in need by caring members of Rotary Sunrise since the *Backpacks for Kids* program began 11 years ago!



Hope you all have enjoyed a fun-filled summer of sunshine, friends and family!

Please join us for our **September** monthly meeting on the **20th at 4:00**, welcoming Family Court's three GAL's; **Stacey Truesdell, ReAnn Gorton, and Jennifer Whitten**. The purpose of this meeting is for you to meet with, and discuss the role of a GAL. Also, this provides an opportunity for them to meet you, the CASA's and discuss your role and responsibility's to the children you serve.

For our **October** monthly meeting on the **18th**, we hope to be offering the 'Darkness to Light' training for active volunteers in any of our programs. The mission of this training is : *"to raise awareness of the prevalence and consequences of child sexual abuse by educating adults about the steps they can take to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to the reality of child sexual abuse."* Stay tuned as more details become available for this training.



The Michigan CASA conference is coming up on Nov. 11th and 12th. With conference, comes the raffle basket. Each county contributes a basket for the conference,

that is raffled off on the last day. The monies collected in this raffle, assist in covering the costs of the conference. We can discuss a theme at the September meeting.



**VOLUNTEERS IN
PREVENTION/PROBATION**

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY PROBATE COURT

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MELANIE D. STANTON, PROBATE & FAMILY COURT JUDGE

280 Washington St., Suite B 150, Traverse City, MI 49684

231-922-4827

Or Current Resident

Learning Partners

1st Tuesday-4:00-5:00 pm

Tuesday, Sept 13th, 2016

Tuesday, Oct 4th, 2016



CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate)

3rd Tuesday- 4:00-6:00 pm

Tuesday, Sept 20th, 2016

Tuesday, Oct 18th, 2016



***All meetings are held at the Volunteer Services office unless otherwise mentioned.**

Be part of it! Volunteer Services is in the beginning stages of planning the next Volunteer Recognition Event, taking place Spring 2017.

Volunteers are needed to assist in the planning, organizing, set-up, take down and everything else that goes into making this another successful event for Volunteer Services.

If you are interested in being a part of this committee we will be having a meeting in early Fall to begin preparations and brain storm ideas. Please contact Lindsey and she will add you to the contact list.